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## FCC COMMISSIONER JONATHAN S. ADELSTEIN ANNOUNCES PLANS FOR SEVERAL EVENTS IN HOMETOWN RAPID CITY

Washington – Commissioner Jonathan S. Adelstein today announced his schedule to participate in a number of Federal Communications Commission sponsored communications technology events and public forums around South Dakota during the week of May 24, 2004.

Adelstein stated: "It's an honor to have my colleagues come to Rapid City, my home town, for an historic series of FCC events. These unprecedented events will focus the FCC on the challenges and opportunities of rural broadband deployment, tribal telecommunications, and localism in radio and television media, as well as showcasing local cutting edge technologies. I'm delighted FCC Chairman Michael Powell and Commissioner Michael Copps will join me in the Black Hills. I'm thrilled South Dakota issues will be in the forefront of FCC policy. These events are critical to the future of rural economic development, both in South Dakota and nationwide."

Commissioner Adelstein plans to attend the events listed below.

### Tuesday, May 25:

1:45 – 2:45 p.m. Upper Midwest Aerospace Consortium Satellite Demonstration, South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, Rapid City, SD.

3:30 – 5:30 p.m. Rural Wireless Internet Service Provider (WISP) Demonstration, South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, Rapid City, SD.

#### Wednesday, May 26

8:30 – 9:15 a.m. Indian Telecommunications Initiatives (ITI) Rapid City Regional Workshop & Roundtable,

Rushmore Plaza Civic Center, Rapid City, SD.

5:30 – 9:00 p.m. FCC Broadcast Localism Hearing, South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, Rapid City, SD.

#### Thursday, May 27

9 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. ITI Rapid City Roundtable Discussion,

Rushmore Plaza Civic Center, Rapid City, SD.

6:30 – 8:00 p.m. Rapid City Consumer Forum, Rushmore Plaza Civic Center, Rapid City, SD.

For more information on the FCC's events in Rapid City, consult the FCC's website, www.fcc.gov, or contact Anne Perkins, at 202-418-2300, <a href="mailto:anne.perkins@fcc.gov">anne.perkins@fcc.gov</a>.